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St. James's, January 7, 1719.

HIS Majesty in Council was this Day pleased to appoint Peter Elwin, of Tuttington, Esq; Sheriff for the County of Norfolk.

Brussels, Jan 20, *N. S.* The Prince of Ligne, who is to go and take Possession of the Places and Countries in the Netherlands, which, in Pursuance of the Barrier Treaty, are to be put into the Emperour's Possession, has deferred his Departure for a few Days, his Instructions not being yet ready concerning the Government he is to establish there. An Edict is shortly to be published here for making the several Species of French Coin current in these Countries, according to their respective Value. The Commandant of Charleroy having represented that the Fortifications of that Place are in a very ruinous Condition, Orders are given for an Engineer and several Workmen to go thither forthwith to repair them, and the Council of the Finances is directed to issue the necessary Sums for that Purpose. The Baron de Fonseca, who was sent some time ago to the French Court to confer with the Ministers there, upon the settling of the Limits between the Austrian and the French Territories in the Netherlands, is lately come hither to give the Marquis de Prié an Account of his Transactions, and to receive further Instructions upon some Difficulties that have arisen in that Affair. We have an Account from Munster, that the Bishop of that Place being come thither to take Possession of his Bishoprick, had summoned a Meeting of the States, who granted him a Free Gift of 50000 Crowns, and a Subsidy of 24000 Crowns a Month; that he had written a very obliging Letter to the States General, signifying to them his Arrival there, and his Resolution to maintain a good Neighbourhood and perfect Friendship with them, and had received a suitable Answer from their High Mightinesses; and that his Highness had been complimented on his Arrival by the Ministers of several neighbouring Princes, particularly on the Part of the King of Prussia, whose Minister, the Baron de Sappenbroek, having in Discourse made mention of some Affairs relating to Religion, the Bishop gave him to understand he had no Intention of making any Innovation in that respect in his Dominions. His Highness will shortly go from thence to take Possession likewise of his Bishoprick of Paderborn. Letters from Vienna of the 6th say, that on the 1st Instant the Empress Mother was seized with a Fit of an Apoplexy, and though she seemed afterwards to be somewhat better, yet the Physicians despaired of her Recovery. They write from Warsaw of the 30th of the last Month, that the King of Poland arrived there the 26th from Dresden, attended by Count Fleming, Count Manteuffell, and several other great Officers and Persons of Quality; and that the General Diet of the Kingdom of Poland summoned to meet at Warsaw, opened their Session the 30th, and divers of their Members not being yet arrived, they did no Business but adjourned to the 2d Instant.

Paris, Jan. 20, *N. S.* Count Salvatico, who lately came hither with the Character of Envoy Extraordinary from the Duke of Modena, upon the Occasion of the Marriage of the Hereditary Prince of Modena and Mademoiselle de Valois, Daughter of the Regent, had Audience of the King the 9th Instant. The Pope having granted the Dispensations required of him in order to that Marriage, it will be solemnized here next Week in the Chapel at the Thuilleries, by the Cardinal de Rohan, Great Almoner of France, the Duke de Chartres being appointed Proxy for the Prince of Modena; and the 15th of next Month Mademoiselle de Valois will set out for Italy, by the Way of Antibes, attended by several Officers of the King's Houshold, and by a Party of his Majesty's Life-Guard. M. d'Argencon, Son to the Keeper of the Seals, is made Lieutenant of Police of the City of Paris, upon the Resignation of M. Machault, who is to be one of the Council of State. Letters from Rome make mention of the Death of the Cardinal de la Tremouille, by which are become vacant the Archbishoprick of Cambray, the Royal Abbey of St. Stephen of Caen, and some other valuable Benefices. They write from Madrid, that the Infante Don Philip, second Son to the King of Spain, dyed the 29th past, for whom this Court will go into Mourning for three Weeks. M. Champmolin, who lately retook Penzacola on the Coast of Florida from the Spaniards, is returned to Brest with three of the Ships under his Command, having left three more to cruize in those Seas, whither three other Men of War are sent to join them, under the Command of M. de Saujon. Three Arrêts or Orders of Council have lately been issued; one for deferring till the last Day of the next Month inclusive, the intended Diminution of the Value of the several Species of Gold and Silver Coins, pursuant to the Arrêts of the 3d, 10th, and 31st past; another declaring, that the Paymasters of the Annuities on the Town-House of Paris, are forthwith to receive the necessary Sums for discharging the same, and requiring the Owners of such Annuities to come and receive what is due to them before the 1st of April next; and the 3d enjoining the Receivers of the Tallies throughout the Kingdom, (of whom many have resorted hither to deal in India Stock, neglecting the Duty of their Employments) to depart out of this City in three Days, and to repair forthwith to their respective Stations, on Pain of Forfeiture of their Offices.

St. James's, Jan. 10. This Day M. Hopman, Resident from the Duke of Holstein, and Counsellour to the Duke of Wolfembuttle, had his first private Audience of His Majesty, to which he was introduced by the Right Honourable James Craggs, Esq; one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, and conducted by Sir Clement Cottrell, Master of the Ceremonies.

Whitehall, Jan. 15. The Earl Stanhope left Paris the 9th Instant in the Evening, and em-

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